## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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In Re WAL-MART STORES, INC. )
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This Document Relates To: )
Case Nos. )

C06-2069 SBA (Smith) and (C06-5411 SBA (Ballard) )

Nos. C06-2069 SBA (BZ) & C06-5411 SBA (BZ)

FOURTH DISCOVERY ORDER

On August 9, 2007, I held a telephonic conference to discuss the discovery disputes outlined in the parties' recent July 31 and August 7 letters. All parties participated through counsel. For the reasons stated during the conference, and good cause appearing, IT IS ORDERED as follows:

1. Construing Docket #108 as plaintiffs' motion to compel further responses to interrogatories and Docket #118 as an opposition, I find no need for further argument. The motion is **DENIED**. I find that at this stage of the litigation, the burden and expense involved in ascertaining

the requested information outweighs the likely benefit of the information to plaintiffs' motion for class certification. See Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(b)(2)(C)(iii).

- The parties shall meet and confer over the disputed requests for admissions by the close of business on Monday, August 13, 2007, and shall make good faith efforts to resolve the related disputes.
- In the event the parties cannot resolve their disputes, plaintiffs have leave file a motion to compel discovery. The motion shall be filed by no later than Monday, August 20, 2007. Any opposition shall be filed by Tuesday, September 4, 2007, and any reply by Tuesday, September 11, 2007. The Court will notice a hearing if necessary.
- 4. Going forward, when the parties meet and confer on issues relating to the discovery or retrieval of electronically stored information, each party shall have present a non-attorney information technology person.

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